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Chicago, February 4.—The total sales in the grain exchange yesterday was nearly 165,000,000 bushels, the greatest since the war.—United Press.

Nauen, Germany, February 5.—The largest oil tank at Baku caught fire yesterday, causing the death of 27 persons. The flames reached a height of more than 200 feet.—Transocean.

Paris, February 5.—The French Government is drafting a protective law for controlling the wheat market in view of the abnormal rise in the price of bread.—Reuter.

Bonn, February 5.—Commenting on President Coolidge's decision to despatch his friend for the inspection of Europe, Washington journals say that this will be regarded as a promise for the President's directing the United States' foreign policy himself.—Reuter.

Nauen, Germany, February 5.—The Foreign Relations Committee of the United States Senate has unanimously decided to recommend the ratification of the German-American trade agreement on the condition that the shipping clause remain effective only one year and that it can be suspended upon 90 days' notice.—Transocean.

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Chicago, February 4.—Charles Fisher, former head of the United States Veterans' Bureau, and John Thompson, a contractor of St. Louis, Missouri, have been sentenced to two years' imprisonment in the penitentiary and a \$10,000 fine apiece. The two men were found guilty of a conspiracy to defraud the Government in connection with building hospitals for the Veterans' Bureau.—United Press.

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Weather Forecast.

(Supplied by the Seoul Meteorological Observatory.) 12 p.m. yesterday to 12 p.m. 10-day. Weather: Fair, cloudy for a time.

Temperature in Seoul.

Monday At noon 31° F. Sunday Min. 26° F.

Wednesday, February 11, 1925

EMPIRE DAY HONOURS.

Kigensetsu has developed into one of the most important and interesting days of all the year in Chosen during the past few years. It was originally a day set apart in Japan for national rejoicing and celebration to commemorate the accession of Emperor Jimmu, the August Founder of the Empire. To-day is the anniversary of that most happy historical event. It carries back the minds of all Japanese to the hazy antiquity of twenty-six centuries ago, and fires their imagination concerning the glorious achievement of the founder of the Empire whose direct descendant they actually have as their reigning Sovereign.

This memorable day has been chosen by Baron Saito, Governor-General, to reward those who have distinguished themselves by rendering exemplary services in the line of education. The Rules providing for it were promulgated in 1922, and to-day will witness the third distribution of awards throughout the country. People so to be honoured this time will be twenty in number, gentlemen who have devoted many of their precious years to the promotion of education either as school teachers, founders of private schools or by connecting themselves with educational institutions in other capacities. Of this number thirteen are Japanese, five Koreans and two Americans. The Rev. Dr. John Z. Moore of the Methodist Mission North, and the Rev. Dr. Samuel A. Moffet of the Presbyterian Mission North, both resident at Pyongyang, are the two Americans referred to, and we should heartily congratulate all the Government authorities concerned upon their having recommended to the Governor-General for this distinction these two foreigners whose names are now almost household words among a great many inhabitants of the peninsula. Having arrived as a missionary in 1903 Dr. Moore is stated to be the founder of fifteen private schools, and Dr. Moffet who crossed to the Hermit Kingdom still earlier, to be more precise in 1889, is claimed to be the founder of some sixty schools. These figures alone, we believe, will speak volumes of the valuable contribution they have made to the uplift of young Koreans besides propagating the gospel of Christ among tens of thousands of the young and aged. A brief of-

cial account supplied us for publication seems to indicate that all the recipients of Empire Day Honours—if so we may appropriately term the awards—fully deserve that reward, but evidently none more so than these two venerable American gentlemen.

The Finance Department (Tokyo) announces that Japan's loans to China amount to 149 million yen.

A rebellion is reported to have recently broken out in Honduras, under the leadership of General Ferrera.

The death is reported from Miami, Florida, of Mr. Fleischmann, former Mayor of Cincinnati and President of the Fleischmann Yeast Company.

An international banking syndicate, under American control, is being formed at New York to float a seventy-five million dollar Argentine loan.

Helsingfors reports that Mr. Rytty, director of the Bank of Finland, is going to London. It is understood his mission is in connection with the restoration of the gold standard in Finland.

"Morgan O-yuki," widow of a nephew of Mr. J. P. Morgan, is reported to be now living in a village near Marseilles, spending her time and money for the benefit and welfare of poor children.

According to the latest statistics from Melbourne, Australia's population now totals six million persons. Sydney, the largest city in the antipodes, has now a population of one million.

The young ex-emperor of China (Hauantung) is reported to have decided to visit Japan within a month or so. For this trip it is said the Yuan Government has been asked to defray the expenses which will amount to 500,000 yen. Hauantung will be accompanied by his wife and a few attendants.

Feminine ire, says a Washington despatch, mayhap has been incurred by President Coolidge in his attitude toward appointments for women to Federal offices. It was recently indicated at the White House that the President will continue to appoint women where precedent for such action now exists. However, the spokesman said the President does not intend to open additional Federal avenues for the activity of women. Just what effect this attitude of the chief executive will have on his political fortunes is conjectural. However, it also apparently is immaterial.

JAPANESE FAVOUR FOR KOREAN STUDENTS.

The Hojin-kwai (literally Humanity Assistance Society) organized in Tokyo by Mr. Rhei Kumamoto, owner of an extensive farm in North Zeura Province, with a view to assisting Korean students of talent and character studying in the capital, is reported as having started on a new programme, by way of reviving and improving on its activity prior to the September disaster. To that end it is said Mr. Kumamoto has decided to supply a fixed number of Korean students of schools of higher grade in Tokyo with their school expenses till their graduation, choosing, say, ten such every year. The allowance per head is understood to be 40 yen, and the pleasing feature of the whole thing is that these shown this favour will not incur any obligations after their graduation.

READJUSTMENT IN PRINCE YI HOUSEHOLD.

It is understood a readjustment in the general affairs of the Prince Yi Household has been decided upon. In this connection Mr. Shinoda, Assistant Chief Steward of the Household, remarks that readjustment has been carried out five times since the annexation, each time not perfunctorily but rather sweepingly. For instance, the number of officials dismissed by the above readjustments was 4,266, of whom 266 wore higher civil servants, and the rest of sons rank downward. He himself thought it rather difficult to make further readjustment in the Household, but the present decision has been reached solely with a view to conforming more to the demand of the times, financial in particular, by further cutting down expenses wherever possible, a fact demonstrative of the desire of the Prince to observe the greatest thrift and frugality and so set an example to the general public. According to him, however, great care would be taken to prevent the measure from interfering in the slightest with the personal comfort of the Prince, seeing that he is rather advanced in age. By the present measure, he said, about 15 per cent. of the expenditure of the Household would be cut down, but it was to be noted that those affected did not in the least deserve dismissal, having all proved themselves as faithful and efficient as could be wished in the discharge of their duties, so he deeply sympathized with them in their situation. He concluded by saying that the Household would do its best to look after the interests of the dismissed, and hoped that the public would assist them in getting them employment.

PROVINCIAL OFFICE DESTROYED BY FIRE.

The Provincial Office of North Kankyo was completely destroyed by fire on Monday night. Details are unavailable as we go to press, but it is wired that the Imperial photographs and the greater part of important documents were removed to a place of safety.

ACCIDENT TO JAPANESE SQUADRON AT VANCOUVER.

According to a despatch transmitted by Tokyo on Monday, Japanese training squadron arrived at Vancouver on the 6th inst., while the following day a torpedo belonging to the ship-ship Idzumo fouled a ship in port and sank, the crew, 11 in number, being drowned. The despatch conveys a statement by a certain officer in the Naval Department in this connection to the effect that the Naval Office had received the report of the accident but was still awaiting detailed reports, and was as yet in the dark as to the cause of the accident and the persons drowned or missing. He gave assurance that on receiving detailed information the authorities would make known the details. The Naval Office announces that at Vancouver, a mosquito craft attached to the warship Idzumo of the Japanese cruising squadron ran foul of a British tugboat on Saturday and sank. The crew consisted of one officer and 16 men, of whom the officer and 2 men were drowned and the rest are missing.

SCRAPPED WARSHIP "TOSA." BUNK NEAR KURE.

A Kure despatch of Monday says that the sinking of the warship Tosa scrapped by the Washington naval agreement, postponed for some days past owing to the severe rain storm experienced, was effected off Bongo early yesterday morning. Admiral Takushita, Commander-in-Chief of Kure Naval Station and many other high officers were present, and saluted the ship with emotion as she went down raising bubbles and spray in her descent.

JAPANESE SUBJECTS IN MANCHURIA.

According to official returns just to hand Japanese residents in Kwantung Leased Territory and Manchuria numbered 175,000 at the end of 1924, as compared with 58,000 at the close of 1908. This means an average increase by 8,000 per year in the interval. Emigration of Japanese to Manchuria in any notable number commenced with the termination of the China-Japanese War.

These Japanese are scattered far more densely in the south than in the north, Kwantung Province claiming 86,900, South Manchuria 85,000 and North Manchuria only 4,500. By far the great part of them are settled within the railway zone.

The Korean population in the same country has gradually increased since the annexation and numbered 528,000 at the end of 1923. In the past Korean immigrants in Manchuria mostly lived on the frontier region but began to penetrate into the interior about 1915, and the great majority of them is engaged in agriculture. They usually reclaim neglected lands, and when fortune turns against them remove farther into the hinterland making unavailable anything approaching accurate statistics. This accounts for different stories about the number of Korean settlers in Manchuria.

It may be noted that the returns represent the number of Britons and Americans there at the end of 1923 at 630 and 269 respectively.

CHOSEN PRIVATE RAILWAY. CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME.

Interviewed by a local journalist Mr. T. Sudzuki, Managing Director of the Chosen Railway Company, who is now on a visit from home, states that the Company's construction programme for the first half of this year will be a fulfilment with the completion of the Mito-Shinin Section (nine miles) on the Kokai Line and the Gungpuk-Shinshu Section (15 miles) on the Koinan Line in June next. The Company would have then to enter upon the execution of a programme for the latter half, but being already deep in debt it would be unable to do so unless new funds could be obtained for the purpose of 10 million yen debentures the issue of which was approved at the last general meeting of shareholders: five million yen was yet to be floated, and the Bank of Chosen, on behalf of the building programme for the second half of this year included the Oumi-Josu Section (9 miles) on the Kannon Line costing one million yen, the Seian-Chushu Section (30 miles) on the Chuhoku Line costing five million yen, the Tenon-Kaisen Section (15 miles) on the Keitoku Line costing three million yen, and the Tanyon-Nangan Section (24 miles) on the Zennan Line costing four million yen.

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